

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 7 September 1953	2. LOCATION Miles City AFS, Wont Elsworth AFB, S.D. 12 Mi S of Minot, N.D. 3.	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 07/1108Z, 1109Z, 1227Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes Radar <input type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical (7/1) <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION fm 55 mins to 3 hrs 30 mins	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two	9. COURSE up/down orbiting
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING On radar obj appeared as an a/c paint. Obj appeared to orbit. Radar contact lost when interceptor plane approached within 3 miles. Visually there appeared to be 2 objs, size of a quarter with 2 miles separation, green, white and red flashing lights, stationary with possible 10-20 knot orbit.	11. COMMENTS One of the objs was probably a balloon that was in the area. The others were probably caused by anomalous propagation or ground reflections. Possible astronomical body as visual sighting.	

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VOCZCSQC697ZCQYA871

PP RJEDSQ

DE RJWZGU 2H

P 071415Z

FM COMDR 786 ACWRON MINOT AFS

TO RJEDDN/COMDR AIR DEFENSE COMMAND ENT AFB

RJWZGU/COMDR 29TH ADIV

RJEDDSQ/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER

RJEZHQA/ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF INTELLIGENCE

RJEZHQA/OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES

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1X2+3
4'' 4X2a

DISPOSITION FORM

FILE NO.	SUBJECT		
	Evaluation of UFOB Reports		
TO AFCIN-4E4	FROM AFCIN-4E1	DATE 2 Feb 59	COMMENT NO. 1
		AFCIN-4E1a/W. Picklesimer/jc	
		74201/Bldg 828/Rm 241	

1. These four messages report radar sightings from three (3) stations in the same general area over a period of a little over four (4) hours. It is probable that the same object or phenomenon caused the four different radar sightings. The object appeared to orbit in a relatively small area. In addition, a possible weather balloon was reported in the area by a weather station.

2. Although fighters were unable to verify an object, the possibility exists that a weather balloon could have caused the radar paints. Some other cause such as weather or anomalous propagation phenomena is also a possibility.

4 Incls
4 Uncl msgs

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AFCIN-4E1

UFO OPS 0865.

A. (1) LIGHTS

(2) QUARTER

(3) GREEN AND RED, ALTERNATING

(4) 1 AND 2

(5) 2 MILES SEPARATION, STATIONARY

(6) LIGHTS GREEN AND RED

(7) N/A

(8) N/A

(9) HRI FPS-6 INDICATED TWO OBJECTS AT 10,800 FEET 2 MILES

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APART AND LATER CLIMBED TO 14,200 FEET. FPS 20 INDICATED ONE OBJECT,
THEN TWO VERY CLOSE TOGETHER.

B. (1) ADJACENT RADAR SITE

(2) 20 FEET ABOVE HORIZON, WEST ON VISUAL. ON GROUND ELECTRONIC
AZIMUTH 273 DEGREES, RANGE 102 MILES, HEIGHT 10,800 FEET

(3) SAME AS B(2).

(4) STATIONARY, POSSIBLE 10-20 KNOT ORBIT.

(5) FADED

(6) 55 MINUTES ON GROUND-ELECTRONIC

C. (1) GROUND-VISUAL, GROUND ELECTRONIC, HRI FPS-6, SEARCH-FPS-20.

(2) NONE

(3) N/A

D. (1) 1109Z 7 SEP 58 1109-6 = 05-09

NIGHT, DAWN

E. (1) 48 DEGREES 13 AND 1/2 MINUTES N 101 DEGREES 14 MINUTES W,

12 MILES SOUTH OF MINOT , N.D.

F. (2) SAM W. MOORE 1ST LT, USAF, 786TH ACW SQUADRON MINOT N.D.

INTERCEPT CONTROLLER, SENIOR DIRECTOR, 20 MONTHS EXPERIENCE

G. CLEAR

H. NONE

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I. SCRAMBLED 1 AIRCRAFT

J. NO OTHER AIR TRAFFIC IN AREA

K. SENIOR DIRECTOR ELECTRONIC HRI CONTACT WAS LOST

PRIOR TO INTERCEPT AT 10,800 FEET AND OBJECT WAS CLIMBING

SEARCH FPS-26 CONTACT WAS MAINTAINED. INTERCEPT WAS RUN FROM

8,000 FEET TO 20,000 FEET, PILOT REPORTED VISUAL CONTACT.

L. THIRTEEN (13) PICTURES WERE TAKEN OF THE ELECTRONIC SIGHTING

OF THE OBJECT. PHOTOGRAPHS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST AT OOC, HQ 29TH

ADIV.

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Malmstrom AFB

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58888-285/5B, 88888 C. E D. 15 PLUS E. NONE F. NONE G. NONE (8)
GREAT FALLS WEATHER REPORTS POSSIBLE WEATHER BALLOON IN AREA AT
88888 FT. AT 1430Z (9) SCRAMBLED CAMPAIGN 28 AIRBORNE 1201Z NEG-
ATIVE SIGHTING, SCRAMBLED CAMPAIGN 27 AIRBORNE 1359Z NEGATIVE
SIGHTING (10) C-27BE3005 1212Z (11) CAMPAIGN 28 WAS MERGED WITH
POSSIBLE TARGET THREE TIMES. NO A1 OR VISUAL CONTACT. CAMPAIGN 27
WAS MERGED WITH POSSIBLE TARGET THREE TIMES. ONE A1 CONTACT,
PILOT REPORTED PROBABLE GROUND RETURN, NO VISUAL CONTACTS. INTELL-
IGENCE OFFICER, NO KNOWN REASON UFOR. RADAR RETURN ON MPS-14 APPEAR-
ED AS AIRCRAFT RETURN. TARGET APPEARED TO VARY RAPIDLY IN ALTITUDE,
VERY LITTLE IN DISTANCE. (12) NONE

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27/1830Z SEP RJWZGU —

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ATIC

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PP RJEDDN RJEDSQ RJEZHQ

DE RJWZGU 2J

P 271745Z

FM COMDR 902D ACWRON MILES CITY AFS

TO RJEDDN/COMDR AIR DEFENSE COMMAND ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS

RJWZGU/COMDR 29TH AIR DIVISION DEF MALMSTROM AFB

RJEDSQ/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT PATTISON AFE

RJEZHQ/DIR OF INTELLIGENCE USAF WASH 25 DC

INFO COMDR 1006TH AISS ENT AFE COLORADO

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/UNCLASSIFIED/ OIN 832. ATTN: DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE UFOR.

(1)A. NO VISUAL B. N/A C. N/A D. 1 E. N/A F. NONE G. N/A H. N/A I.

NONE (2)A. SITE P-27 B. VARIABLE 093-096 DEGREES, 78-88 NM FROM

M-98 6400-16000 MEASURED ALTITUDE C. 094 DEGREES, 11200 MEASURED

ALTITUDE D. MOVED UP AND DOWN IN CIRCULAR FLIGHT PATH E. RADAR

FADE 1525Z F. THREE HOURS EIGHT MINUTES (3) A. GROUND ELECTRONIC

MPS-14 B. N/A C. N/A (4)A. 1217Z 7 SEP 58 M-98 PICKUP B. DAWN 1227Z

(5) A. QB2518. (6) A. EDDCE J. BERQUIST, 1/LT 902D ACWRON SENIOR

DIRECTOR A-1 B. GEORGE J. COLE, 1/LT 902D ACWRON SENIOR DIRECTOR

A-1 (7) A. CLEAR BM 6000-LIGHT AND VARIABLE, 10000-310/10, 16000-
NW
315/15, 20000-285/45, 30000-285/70,

SP 7 2 0731 formed OD
at 072125Z
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1+2+3=4E
4=4X2a

ALICE

8/21 1400H MCAS SQUADRON DUTY DIRECTOR, GATLING DRUGS 3-301 1400H HOUR

SQDN. CREW CHIEF. LAWRENCE E. SHRIVER A/2C FLOOR SUPERVISOR,
RONALD D. ARCHER A/2C SCOPE OPERATOR, 7. A. CLEAR, WINDS CALM.
B. RCA WEATHER SURFACE WINDS NW 4 WINDS ALOFT 20000 FEET ^{WNW} 300/45,
30000 ^{WNW} 300/70, 40000 ^{WNW} 300/75, 50000 ^{WNW} 300/50 C. CLEAR D. 15 E. NEGATIVE
F. NEGATIVE 8. A. NEGATIVE, 9. SCRAMBLED ON F89J ON ORDERS FROM 29TH
AIR DIV. 1. NONE. 11. DUTY DIRECTOR DIRECTORED THE FIGHTER TO THE
POSITION OF CONTACT WITH UFOB. WE LOST RADAR CONTACT WITH UFOB WHEN
FIGHTER WAS APPROXIMATELY THREE MILES FROM UFOB. THE FIGHTER MADE
A SEARCH OF IMMEDIATELY AREA FROM GROUND TO 20000 FEET. HE REPORTED
NO CONTACT OF VISUAL SIGHTINGS. UNDULATE, M-98, AT MILES CITY MONTANA
INFORMED US THEY HAD CONTACT WITH UFOB. I PASSED CONTROL OF FIGHTER
TO UNDULATE AT THIS TIME. THERE ARE NO PHOTOGRAPH AVAILABLE FROM
ROLLERSKATE M-97.

BT

07/1730Z SEPT RJWZGU

RECORDED BY:

BB 80000

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RECORDED BY:

Called at 11:50

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VCZCSQD658ZCQYAB96

PP RJEDSQ

DE RJWZGU 2A

P 071645Z ✓

FM COMDR 740TH ACWRON ELLSWORTH AFB ✓

TO RJWZFU/COMDR 29TH ADIV DEF MALMSTROM AFB

RJEDDN/COMDR ADC ENT AFB COL SPRINGS

RJEDSQ/COMDR AIR TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE CENTER WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB ✓

RJEZHQ/DIR OF INT HQ USAF WASH 25 DC

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UNCLASSIFIED OIN 660 ATTN: DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE, UFOB. 1. A.

N/A B. N/A C. N/A D. ONE E. N/A F. IT APPEARED AS AN AIRCRAFT PAINT.

G. N/A H. N/A I. N/A 2. A. BRIDESMAID ADVISED ROLLERSKATE THEY HAD

LOST CONTACT ON E-12 UFOB IN BA 0220 GEO REF ON 07/1322Z. B. OBSERVED

THE OBJECT AT 07/1322Z AT 332 DEGREES 75 NM FROM ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE

BASE AT 13600 FEET C. CONTACT LOST 071400Z 337 DEGREES 60 NM FROM

ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE 13600 FEET D. OBJECT APPEARED TO ORBIT IN AN

AREA NORTH WEST OF ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE AT A RANGE OF 75 TO 60 NM

E. OBJECT FADED FROM OUR MPS-14 RADAR SET. F. RADAR CONTACT WITH

OBJECT FOR 55 MINUTES. 3. A. GROUND ELECTRONIC MPS-14. B. NONE

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SEP 7 10 48 58

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C. N/A 4. A. 071322Z B. DAY 5. A. OBSERVER ON DUTY AT RADAR SITE
M-97 ON ELLSWORTH AIR FORCE BASE. 6. A. N/A B. [REDACTED]

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ACZCSQD652ZCQVA875

PP RJEDSQ

DE RJWZGU 1A

P 071440Z

FM COMDR 740TH ACWRON ELLSWORTH AFB

TO RJEDDN/COMDR AIR DEFENSE COMMAND ENT AFB COLORADO SPRINGS

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UNCLASSIFIED OIN 659 ATTN: DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE UFOR (1) A.

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8 SEP 58 0741

ATIC

1X2-13-484
4-412a

UNUSUALLY LARGE STAR B. (PEA) C. FLASHING, RED, WHITE, AND GREEN.

D. ONE (1) E. N/A F. NONE G. NONE H. NONE I. NONE 2. OVAL

A. AC&W SITE M-98 B. 356 DEGREES, RADAR, 8200 FEET RECORDED

ALTITUDE, 80 MILES C. 342 DEGREES, RADAR, 12400 FEET RECORDED

ALTITUDE 90 MILES D. NONE E. WENT BELOW HORIZON F. (22 MINUTES RADAR,

45 MINUTES VISUAL. 3.A. GROUND VISUAL, GROUND ELECTRONIC MPS-7

AND MPS-14 B. NONE C. N/A 4.A. 1108Z 7 SEPTEMBER 1958 B. (DAWN 2408)

MST, 1108Z 5. 740TH AC&W OPERATIONS, EILSORTH AIR FORCE BASE, SOUTH

DAKOTA 6.A. N/A B. 1/LT ROGGENBUCK S/SGT GODDARD, A/1C RONFELDT,

A/1C BISHOP, A/2C WEEKS, A/2C BROWN R.L., A/3C FORD, A/3C JOHANSEN,

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A/3C JONES, D. A/3C TUNNELL, A/3C ST. JOSEPH, A/3C KNUTSON. 7. 312

DEGREES, 70 KNOTSN RPC AVERAGE, CLEAR, 20000 THROUGH 50000 A. CLEAR

B. N/A C. CLEAR D. 15 PLUS E. NONE F. NONE 8. NONE KNOWN 9.

CAMPAIN 22 AND CAMPAIN 29 WERE SCRAMBLED. NO VISUAL OR ELECTRONIC

CONTACT. 10. NONE KNOWN. 11. DUTY DIRECTOR, UNABLE TO ASCERTAIN

REASON FOR UFOB. SEEN BY ENTIRE CREW VISUAL AND ELECTRONIC,

SAME AZIMUYM.

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07/1445Z SEPT RJWZGU

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